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TOPIC Zerbst Airfield

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REMARKS 25X1

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1. 25X1 on 9 March 1952, there was no flying at Zerbst airfield. No aircraft were observed in front of the hangars. Seven swept-back jet fighters were parked southwest of the western end of the runway and nine other planes of the same type were in the northeastern section of the field. On 10 March, no flying was observed at the field. Between 25X1 on 11 March, there was flying by swept-back jet fighters. The sky was slightly cloudy, and there was a medium degree of visibility. On 12 March, 5 swept-back jet fighters were parked southwest of the west end of the runway, and 7 other planes of the same type were in front of the hangars. The northeastern section of the field was not observed.
2. 25X1 on 12 March, two swept-back jet fighters with auxiliary fuel tanks took off. One swept-back jet fighter with auxiliary fuel tanks 25X1 Two more swept-back jet fighters took off at 25X1 13 March, flying was also practiced by swept-back jet fighters in good weather. No flying was observed from the town on 14 and 15 March. 25X1 on 16 March, swept-back jet fighters observed at the field included 8 southwest on the western end of the runway, 3 in front of hangar No 3, and 8 in the northeastern section of the field. There was no flying during the time of observation.
3. 25X1 two swept-back jet fighters took off. No air activity was observed from the town on 18 March. 25X1 on 19 March, swept-back jet fighters practiced flying. There was a 5/10 overcast, a cloud base of about 1,000 meters, and a medium degree of visibility. 25X1 were observed entering and leaving the field. *
- * 25X1 Comment. The report confirms that Zerbst airfield is occupied by MiG-15s. 25X1 two 25X1 fighter regiments are stationed in Zerbst. 25X1 The two units were supplied with 35 railroad tank carloads of fuel in January, and 6 tank carloads in February. The exact number of aircraft presently assigned to the regiments has not been determined since only a portion of the MiG-15s can be observed because of the many hangars at the field. However, it is believed that each regiment is still equipped with at least 30 MiG-15s. On 16 February,

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one regiment was supplied with three new HC-15s in crates from the U.S.S.R. [redacted] The observations of air activity made from the [redacted] are not complete. [redacted] flying on all days between 9 and 19 March except 9, 11 and 16 March. The [redacted] fighter regiments and a fighter division headquarters in Korea every day between 1 and 24 March.

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